



Attorney Docket No. 0018-13

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Carl E. Fabian Group Art Unit: 3761
Serial No.: 10/650,376 Examiner: Michael G. Bogart
Filed: August 29, 2003
For: **RADIOPAQUE MARKER FOR A SURGICAL SPONGE**
Docket No.: 0018-13

231 Somerville Road
Bedminster, NJ 07921
April 18, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated February 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Michael G. Bogart

GROUP ART UNIT:

3761

INVENTION:

RADIOPAQUE MARKER FOR A SURGICAL SPONGE

INVENTOR(s): Carl E. Fabian

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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TOTAL CLAIMS	10	MINUS	20	0	X \$25	0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	0	X \$100	0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0.00

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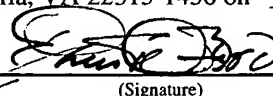
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